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In re PATENT Application of:)
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Serial No. 08/951,754) Group Art Unit: 3402
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For: INTAKE AIR HEATER AND)
AIR DELIVERY ASSEMBLY)
FOR ENGINES) June 16, 1998

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98, it is requested that the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.


From the figures it appears that the cited reference discloses an intake heating device of a multi-cylinder internal combustion engine wherein a heater is disposed between an intake manifold and a cylinder head. However, the

figures do not appear to disclose an intake air heater capable of being installed in an existing engine wherein the engine will only be made larger by an amount equal to the thickness of a mounting flange portion. In the case of the cited reference, it appears that the height of the engine must be made larger by an amount equal to the thickness of a frame portion. Consequently, when the reference intake air heater is installed into an existing engine, there is a possibility that the engine will be too large and therefore not capable of fitting in its previous compartment.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c), the submission fee of \$240 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) is included herewith.

Copies of the patents are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

Respectfully submitted,


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